

**Subject:** ALERT: LA MARATHON THIS SUNDAY

**From:** Mitch O'Farrell

**Date:** 03/17/2017 05:09 PM

**To:**



Friends:

The United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) announced this week that crews completed initial work to remove non-native vegetation, trash and debris within the Los Angeles River.

As you may recall, the work took place between Fletcher and Riverside Drives, and forced the closure of the LA River shared path. The path is open once again during weekdays. The Corps' contractor will continue to perform monthly maintenance within these reaches, however this work will not require any additional closures of the path.

As more users return to utilizing the path, I want to remind people that per California law both bicyclists and pedestrians have a legal right to utilize the path, and should do so with an abundance of care and respect for others. Cyclists should refrain from excessive speed, particularly when pedestrians, children, and slower cyclists are present. It is safer for pedestrians, as slower users of the path, to walk to the right and be mindful of bicyclists.

My office has been working with the local Elysian Valley community, bicycle advocates, and with our City departments to ensure the path is safe for all users. We will continue to be vigilant in reminding residents and visitors alike to share the path.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature of the name "Mitch" in black ink.

MITCH O'FARRELL

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## COMING UP

SAT/SUN 3/18-3/19 [GLASSELL PARK RUMMAGE SALE](#)

SAT 3/18 [SURVEY LA: CHINESE AMERICAN CONTEXT](#)

WED 3/22 [COMMUNITY HEALTH EVENT IN GLASSELL PARK](#)

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## HEADLINES

City Attorney secures conviction in hate crime incident [[BEVERLY PRESS](#)]

City closes escrow on property along LA River [[LA INDEPENDENT](#)]

Hollywood FlyAway relocates to Vine Street location [[LA INDEPENDENT](#)]

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## ALERT: STREET CLOSURES FOR LA MARATHON

LOS ANGELES -- Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell urged his constituents to be aware of a major event scheduled to take place this weekend that will force the closure of Sunset and Hollywood Boulevards, and many nearby north-south arteries.

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## VIDEO: O'FARRELL DISCUSSES LA RIVER, SMALL BUSINESS REFORM



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## TEAM MITCH MAKING A DIFFERENCE



# MITCH O'FARRELL

COUNCILMEMBER, 13TH DISTRICT



**BEFORE**

**AFTER**



GLASSELL PARK - The CD 13 Clean Team recently completed work on Fletcher Dr. across the street from Washington Irving Middle School in Glassell Park. The crew cut overgrown weeds and grass, and removed small branches from the base of the tree, improving visibility and safety for pedestrians and vehicle parking. See an area that needs attention? Contact Sylvan De La Cruz in the District Office at 213-207-3015.

[SEE MORE BEFORE AND AFTER PHOTOS](#)

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## NEW BUS BENCHES ON SANTA MONICA BLVD



EAST HOLLYWOOD - During a recent visit with seniors at Kingsley Manor, there was a request for bus benches at Santa Monica Boulevard and Western Avenue. Mitch worked with the City's Bureau of Street Services and Martin Outdoor Media to install two benches: one on Western just north of Santa Monica, and the other on westbound Santa Monica just west of Western.

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## RSVP: LAFD GIRLS CAMP



The LAFD Girls Camp is designed to give young girls a closer look at what it takes to be a Firefighter with the Los Angeles Fire Department and exactly what steps you will need to take to be successful. Join us for this one of a kind opportunity.

Girls ages 14-18 are invited to explore the possibility of a future career with the Los Angeles Fire Department with active duty LAFD Female Firefighters and cadets! This two-day program on April 1-2, from 8:00 am-5:00 pm will be filled with lots of fun, hands-on activities with actual firefighting tools and equipment and the chance to try on the firefighter's personal protective gear!

[RSVP HERE](#)

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## PHOTO OF THE WEEK



ELYSIAN PARK - The final phase of a tree planting project wrapped up last weekend. City Plants, Boise Paper, and Office Depot worked with local volunteers to plant 325 new trees!

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